WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

Article – Natural Resources Section 4-1201, 4-1205, 4-1206, and 4-1207 Annotated Code of Maryland (1989 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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- (E) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF CHESAPEAKE BAY SPORT FISHING LICENSES GRANTED UNDER THIS SECTION. THE REGULATIONS MAY PROVIDE FOR A PROHIBITION ON REISSUANCE OF A LICENSE FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 5 YEARS.
- (2) FOR PURPOSES OF REVOCATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT AS PART OF ITS PROCEDURAL REGULATIONS A SCHEDULE OF POINTS ASSIGNED TO VARIOUS OFFENSES UNDER THIS TITLE.

4-1201.

- (a) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this title, a person who violates any provision of this title is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is subject to a fine not exceeding \$500, with costs imposed in the discretion of the court.
- (b) Unless another penalty is specifically provided elsewhere in this title, any person found guilty of a second or subsequent violation of any provision of this title is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both, with costs imposed in the discretion of the court. For the purpose of this subsection, a second or subsequent violation is one which has occurred within two years of any prior violation of this title.
- (c) In addition to any administrative penalty provided in this title, violation of any rule or regulation adopted by any unit within the Department pursuant to the provisions of this title is a misdemeanor and is punishable as provided in subsections (a) and (b).
- (D) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER APPLICABLE PENALTY SET FORTH IN SUBSECTIONS (A) AND (B) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS TITLE OR ANY REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS TITLE CONCERNING THE HARVEST TAKING OF OR CREEL LIMITS FOR STRIPED BASS, COMMONLY, KNOWN AS ROCKFISH, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PENALTIES: